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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADEIN THE CLAIMS

The claims have been amended as follows.

1. (Five Times Amended) A carbonaceous active material comprising:
 at least one crystalline graphite core; and
 an amorphous carbon shell coating the outside of the crystalline graphite core
 wherein a differential thermal analysis conducted on the carbonaceous active material
 in 10°C increments per minute starting from room temperature and proceeding to
 1000°C at atmospheric pressure results in the displaying of at least ~~two~~ a first and a
second exothermic peaks overlapping to form shoulders; ~~and the amorphous carbon~~
~~shell coating is derived from an amorphous carbon precursor solution,~~
wherein the first peak corresponds to the crystalline graphite core, and
comprises a first peak temperature lower than 800°C;
wherein the second peak corresponds to the amorphous carbon shell coating,
and comprises a second peak temperature less than and within 200°C of the first peak
temperature.

Please add claim 8 as follows:

8. (New) The carbonaceous active material of claim 1, wherein the second
peak temperature is within 100°C of the first peak temperature.